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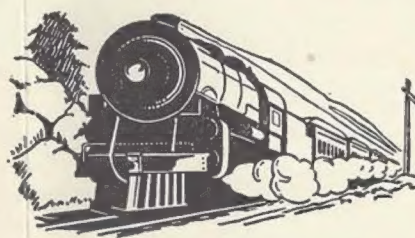
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A MESSAGE

from the

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in

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MOST WORSHIPFUL CLAUDE L. ALLEN
Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts



IN these days of strife and misunderstanding, it should be our constant and particular aim and ambition to so regulate our lives and conduct that we may be a credit to Masonry and to the Shrine, which is commonly regarded by the public as a part of Masonry.

I have always felt that we as Shriners might enjoy fully the spirit of friendship and happiness so characteristic of the great social order of the Mystic Shrine without departing from the high principles and standards of life and conduct we are taught as Masons, and the observance of which is so essential to the well being of our beloved Order.

It has been most gratifying to me to see this same ideal being reflected so clearly in the policies which are characterizing the leadership of our Illustrious Potentate Clarence J. McKenzie and the officers of his Divan who are, I believe, according him their full-hearted, generous and constructive support.

Likewise, the admirable dignity of the first issue of the Aleppo Monthly News clearly evinces a kindred sympathy and understanding of my views as expressed above. I like the frankness and sincerity of the "Message from the Potentate" and was most favorably impressed by it. I was pleased too, with the wholesomeness and interest of the other reading matter.

I therefore take this opportunity to congratulate the Aleppo Temple Divan on their fine start and wish the Aleppo Monthly News and my fellow Nobles all success and happiness in the new activities ahead.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

CLAUDE L. ALLEN, Grand Master.

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OUR SHRINE

THE man who comes to the Shrine had his Masonic origin in a Blue Lodge, where he was taught to reverence the name of God and to pray for his guidance. He came on through one of the Rites where his knowledge of the dignity of Masonry was expanded, and the Shrine was provided for him as a place where he might join with his brothers in letting human instincts for fun, pleasure and amusement have sway.

The Shrine was not and is not given to Masons as a place for exercising practices that would not be tolerated in the Masonic Bodies, or which are taboo among gentlemen. The Shrine stands for all of Masonry and for wholesomeness in life. It stands for letting in the sunshine on discouragement and grief and woe, and it would substitute hope for despair at all times. Without the formalities that attend the degrees in Masonry, it brings members in close fraternal touch, and it breeds confidence between wearers of the Scimitar and the Crescent.

The Shrine has always been made up of the finest type of men in every community, men who you are glad to know, men who travel by preference along the sunny side of the street and who play a fair game all the time. They hit the ball hard in business and in pleasure, but they know where the brakes should be applied. They sow in kindness to reap in friendship.

The playground of the Shrine is inside the secret Temple. When playtime is over there, we go back to the world as Masons, charged to maintain a "good report" among our fellows.

Membership in the Shrine gives us the right to wear its emblem and to participate in its good works, as well as its pleasures. It gives us to know the finest fellows on earth and to have part in the most magnificent benevolence ever started by man, the Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children; and we should guard well the privilege.

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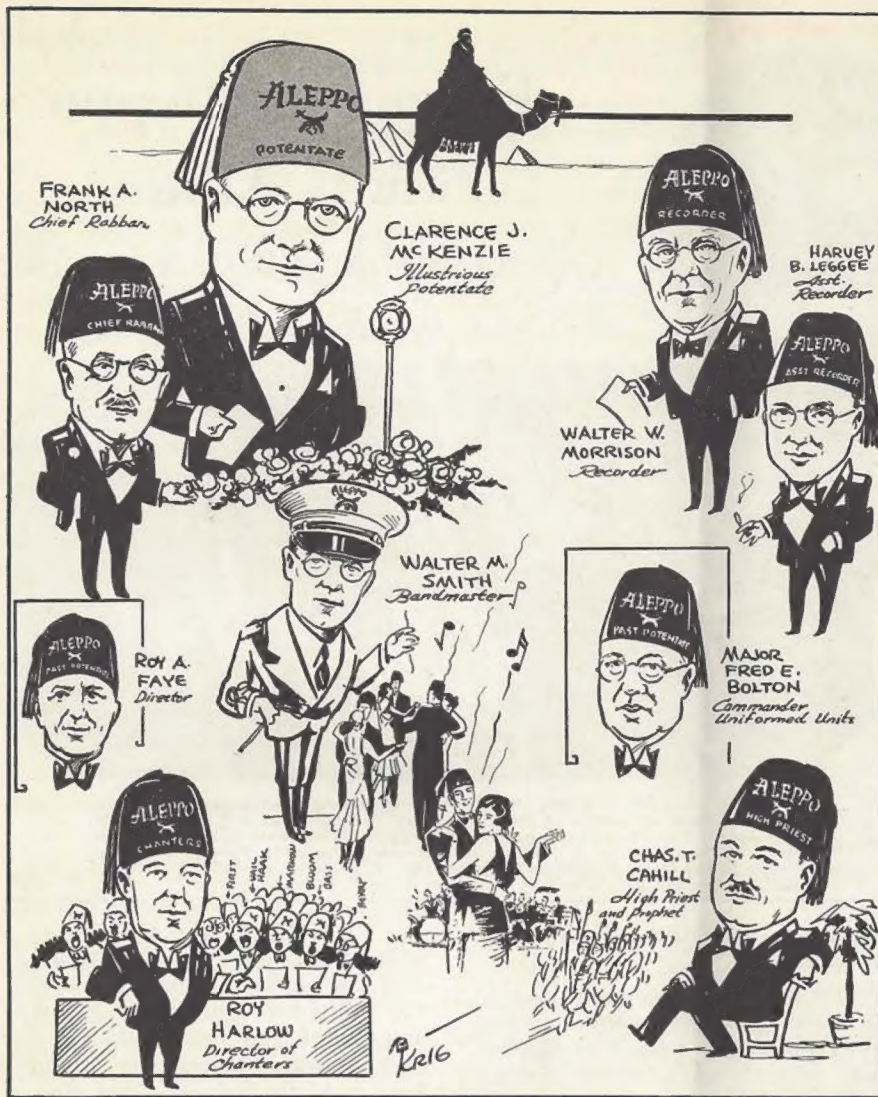
WORDS are futile at times. For the best of them, even under the guidance of men skilled in the writing art, are cold, impersonal and frequently lacking in the expressive qualities so necessary to the complete fulfillment of a descriptive mission.

And so, faced as we are at this moment, with a need for the best of such phrases and not being so well equipped with the faculty to make them, we cannot achieve much more than to say that we have been stirred, deeply stirred by the many kind expressions of appreciation from so many of our brother Nobles of Aleppo Temple. In person and via letters they have accorded a kindly, sincere and enthusiastic greeting to this new magazine of ours.

As we can't seem to put the words together that will adequately express what we want to say, we will have to state in plain, simple and unadorned English, but in great big, capital letters: T-H-A-N-K-S! And we say it with that same choked-up feeling that a fellow gets in those rare instances when something deep within him is really touched.

We realize that most of this applause for our labors is hardly due us. But nevertheless, being human we like it and we believe that all this kindly encouragement will do much to assist us all in developing a finer, more informative and interesting magazine — one that eventually we hope, may be a real credit to Aleppo, to our splendid body of Nobles and to Shrinedom itself. We have mapped out a big job for ourselves, a task which we realize cannot be done without the continued encouragement and support of our membership, individually and collectively.

Finally, we want to thank the advertisers who have taken space in this issue and future issues. Their support is equally appreciated and we ask that our Nobles patronize them whenever possible. For it is through them that much of the finances are made available for the publication of this magazine.



This sketch and article were reproduced from the Feb. 17th issue of the Boston Globe. The sketch was drawn by Noble James Krigman, a member of the Globe and staff artist of the Aleppo Monthly News.

POTENTATE'S BALL WAS BRILLIANT SUCCESS

Mechanics' Building, Huntington Ave., Boston, has rarely in its long history looked as attractive as it did on Saturday evening, Feb. 16th with elaborate and tasteful decorative drapings of bright red and soft gray, festooned at the back and on the front of the stage, and masking the balcony fronts—the whole scheme making a charming setting for the annual ball of Aleppo Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

The affair, attended by members and their women guests, numbering more than 4000 during the evening, was held as a testimonial to Potentate Clarence J. McKenzie and Mrs. McKenzie, in whose honor the Aleppo Band of 150 players early in the evening, rendered a medley of spirited Scottish tunes. The band was directed by Walter M. Smith.

Another complimentary selection was entitled, "Captain McKenzie March."

Between 8 and 8:45 there was a drill with regular military evolutions by the Arab patrol. Taking part were five platoons of members of the temple totalling nearly 150, in brilliant red and green Zouave uniforms, first by separate platoons successively, then all together.

The spectacle called forth outbursts of enthusiastic applause. Trooping of the colors, directed by Charles Harding, adjutant and reviewed by the drill master, Maj. Fred E. Bolton and by Potentate McKenzie, provided a fitting climax.

There was an unusual thrill for the spectators in the marching of the second platoon, each member carrying some sort of a bell-sounding instrument, attached to a battery and keyboard borne by "Chick"

Storey, songwriter, who played a swinging march that was communicated by wires to the bell-instrument carried by each man marching in the platoon.

Another new feature this year was the initial appearance of a recently-formed chorus of 75 members called: "The Chanters," headed by Roy Harlow, the Director. They rendered a program that evoked much applause.

Though the rank and file of shrine members were in simple evening dress, save for their red fezes, the Zouave uniforms of the drill detachment, with the evening costumes of the women produced a constantly changing and lovely picture on the floor during the general dancing from 9 till midnight.

Among the Officers of the Order who contributed to the success of the Ball were Floor Marshall Roy A. Faye, Col. Henry D. Comerais, Chief Rabbah Frank A. North, Asst. Rabbah Harry C. Pollard, High Priest and Prophet Charles T. Cahill, Oriental Guide James J. Curry; Recorder Walter W. Morrison, Asst. Recorder Harvey B. Leggee, Robert G. Wilson, Jr., and Willard P. Lombard, Ceremonial Masters; Capt. Frank L. Nagle; Marshall, Arthur A. Sondheim and Captain of the Mounted Patrol, G. Richmond Selee.

MASONS IN THE ROOSEVELT CABINET

Five of the cabinet members selected by the President to form his official family are members of the Masonic Fraternity.

The President is a member of Holland Lodge No. 8, New York City, and only a few months ago presided in the East at the raising of his son. He is also a member of Cyprus Temple of Albany, N. Y.

Secretary of War. George H. Dern is a member of Lodge No. 1, Salt Lake City, and a Past Grand Master of the Grand Jurisdiction of Utah.

Secretary of the Navy. Claude A. Swanson is a member of Lodge No. 24, Chatham, Va.

Secretary of Commerce. Daniel C. Roper is a charter member of Barristers Lodge No. 48, Washington, D.C., having demitted from Federal Lodge No. 1 of the same city.

Secretary of Agriculture. Henry A. Wallace is a member of Capital Lodge No. 110, Des Moines, Ia.

Attorney General. Homer S. Cummings is a member of Hiram Lodge No. 1, New Haven, Conn., whose activity began in the Colonial days.

Aleppo Nobles are Guests at Worcester Shrine Club Dinner

By Noble J. C. DeWolf, Asso. Editor

ILLUSTRIOUS Potentate Clarence J. McKenzie, who was the guest of honor at the January dinner-meeting of the Worcester County Shrine Club, suggested during his speech that Aleppo Temple might come to Worcester for a parade to be followed by a dance and social evening in Worcester's new two million dollar Memorial Auditorium.

The Potentate said it was his intention to bring the Shrine to Shriners. His proposal that the Patrols and as many Shriners as possible come to this city during the year for a celebration met with enthusiastic approval among Worcester Shrine Club members.

The Worcester Club was honored also by the presence of Past Potentate Major Fred E. Bolton of the Patrol who addressed the Nobles, and Past Potentate Roy A. Faye and Assistant Recorder Harvey B. Leggee, both of whom spoke briefly.

The Officers of the Worcester Club, President Sewell A. Jones, Vice President W. C. Towns and Secretary Norman D. McLeod, officiated at the ceremonies which properly prepared members and guests for a trip through the desert. Dinner followed and then speeches and a 45 minute entertainment prepared by the Officers.

Among those present were: Dr. Charles A. Fryburg, Ralph H. Cochran, F. H. Wesson, Louis Kahn, W. T. Griffin, W. C. Crosby, Charles E. Porter, A. G. Belden, A. M. Goff, Walter M. Merkle, R. A. Adams, William Bacon, E. H. Dayton, M. L. Homer, Charles S. Wheeler, William P. McPherson, A. E. Abbott, Henry Douglass, C. E. Robbins, Philip M. Pfaffmann, Stephen E. Kirkpatrick, Adrian Van Leeuwen, F. P. Thrasher, Jr., H. Klaucke, Herman A. Smith, Guy W. Burr, Eugene Libby, Ernest Reynard, F. H. Thompson, H. M. Hare, E. A. Hare, H. R. Hare, S. Z. Cramer, J. P. Conwell, H. E. Larkin.

16 TO 20 CLUB

IN the Shrine headquarters is a beautiful little hall called Cotillion Hall. In the past generation the debutantes from the elite of Boston usually held their coming out parties there, and the ultra-fashionable cotillions were held there.

It has been suggested to your Potentate that this would be an ideal hall for small dancing parties, and that the sons and daughters of Shriners would no doubt wish to form a little club to hold dancing parties there once a month on a Friday evening, the first dance to be on the fourth Friday in March, which is March 22nd, and the following on the fourth Friday of each month thereafter, except during the months of July and August.

The Potentate believes this an excellent idea as no doubt the members of our Shrine would like to see something done for their sons and daughters. Therefore, we have set the ages from 16 to 20, inclusive.

Those wishing to join the "16 to 20 Club" will please write to Aleppo Temple, 97 Huntington Avenue, signifying their intention, and will please be present on Friday evening, March 22nd. Past Potentate and Mrs. Roy A. Faye will be host and hostess and will enroll you that evening. We will have our own little orchestra recruited from our Shrine Band play for these dances. They will not be late parties, but will begin at 8:00 o'clock and conclude at 10:00.

There will be no expense to the members who enroll, the sole purpose being sociability and the opportunity of making friends and friendships between the sons and daughters of our Shrine members.

Dress will be informal. In fact, the whole party will be informal.

"It looks like Aleppo is getting off on the right track to include the women in their good times. Good luck to you," writes Noble George W. Sanborn, of East Lynn, Mass.

NOBLE AND MAJOR - GENERAL ERLAND F. FISH HONORED

More than 600 friends of Noble and Maj.-Gen. Erland F. Fish, from civil, fraternal and military life, gathered in the Copley-Plaza recently to give the retiring commander of the 26th division (Y.D.) Massachusetts national guard, a rousing send-off.

Speakers who lauded Gen. Fish's long service in military and public life were his successor, Maj.-Gen. Daniel Needham; Maj.-Gen. Fox Connor, commanding the 1st corps area; Admr. C. P. Snyder, naval commander of the 1st corps area; Herbert Parker, former attorney-general; Mayor Mansfield of Boston, and the Rev. Abbot Peterson of Brookline.

In the presence of Mrs. Fish, the guest of the evening was presented a full-sized portrait of himself, in oils, by the noted Boston artist, John Laval, himself a former army flyer and world war veteran.

Among the guests were tables with members of the state Senate, over which Gen. Fish had presided as president; the House of Representatives; 26th division staff, 101st field artillery, 52d infantry brigade staff, 51st field artillery brigade staff, 102d field artillery and 102d field artillery.

Special tables were reserved for officers and Nobles of Aleppo Temple and for officers of St. Bernard Commandery, as Maj.-Gen. Fish is a member of both organizations.

A feature of the occasion was the solo recital of Walter M. Smith, leader of Aleppo Temple Band, accompanied by Mme. Blanche. Music was played by the 101st Field Artillery Band of Brockton.

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YORK-RITE NOTES

By Noble Jesse Ames, Asso. Editor

WE are now in the midst of the season of Chapter District Exemplifications. This custom of presenting the work in an official way was inaugurated in Grand Chapter in 1812 and while it is still a distinctive feature of every Annual of Grand Chapter, it was made also a feature of each District when the Districts were formed in 1872.

These Exemplifications or Schools of Instruction while widely copied in more recent times by many Jurisdictions, may fairly be termed a Massachusetts institution.

To-day they are perhaps more than ever before, a happy medium of exchange of thought and ideas and association and comradeship as the full attendance everywhere will amply show.

The Exemplification in Taunton of the Third District will be held on the holiday, February 22nd. It has been the custom of that district for many years to have their annual get-together on that day.

Several years ago I visited one of the Exemplifications of this District held that year in New Bedford, and the attendance was the largest of any in the State.

All these gatherings are full of interest, association, co-operation and real striving to perfect their work.

In Roslindale, February 2nd under the Supervision of the Grand Lecturer, the various officers of the First Capitular District presented the Mark and Most Excellent Degrees. St. Pauls and St. Andrews gave the Most Excellent in entirety, with a "perfect" recorded mark by the Grand Lecturer. Saturday, February 9th, at Cambridge the Chapters of the Fifteenth District exemplified the Royal Arch and Past Degrees.

Four of these Chapters presented flawless work and were recorded "perfect" — without a single error.

Ahasuerus Council of Lowell tendered to our new M. Ill. Grand Master Arthur A. Stewart on Friday, February 7th a reception which will long be remembered by its recipient. A beautiful piece of silver was presented to him by the Council. The M. Ill. Grand Masters jewel was also bestowed upon him by R. P. Arthur D. Prince in that delightful way of his, that leaves you in doubt whether you will treasure more in the days to come, the jewel, or the presentation of it.

Illustrious Melvin Maynard Johnson, 33° Most Puissant Sovereign Grand Commander of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction will be the guest speaker at the Grand Commandery dinner at the Touraine March 14th.

Some of the York Rite Bodies are finding here and there indications of encouragement. Chapters have more applications than last year. The dues are coming in a little better. A more hopeful feeling prevails. Many adjustments have been made. There seems a distinct increase of



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interest in the welfare and attendance of the members. It takes adversity to bring people together, so there are some compensating values after all.

SCOTTISH RITE BODIES IN THE VALLEY OF BOSTON

By Noble Howard A. Flanders, Asso. Ed.

The meetings of the Scottish Rite which were held during the month of February were very well attended.

At the Convocation of Boston Lafayette Lodge of Perfection on February 1st, the Twelfth Degree was conferred with full form and ceremony.

On February 27th, the officers of Boston Lafayette Lodge of Perfection conferred the Twelfth Degree at King Solomon Lodge of Perfection at Providence, Rhode Island. A large number of Boston Lafayette Lodge members attended and a fine time was enjoyed.

On February 8th, Giles F. Yates Council Princes of Jerusalem conferred the Fifteenth Degree in full form and ceremony, after the Feast of Adar was observed with a very elaborate musical program under the direction of Sovereign Prince Herbert M. Chase 32°.

At the request of Lowell Council, Princes of Jerusalem, the Giles F. Yates Council is to work the Fifteenth Degree for them on Thursday, March 7th, in New Masonic Temple at 8 P.M. A most cordial invitation is extended by Lowell Council to all Scottish Rite Masons to be present. Dinner will be served at 6.15 P.M. for which a nominal charge will be made.

Mount Olivet Chapter Rose Croix conferred the Eighteenth Degree with full form and ceremony on February 15th.

The meeting of the Massachusetts Consistory postponed from Friday, February 22nd to Friday, March 1st, by the special permission issued by Illustrious Frederick W. Hamilton, 33° Deputy for Massachusetts, conferred the Thirty-Second Degree in the afternoon, in full form, without Allegory under the direction of George T. Everett, 32° Assistant Master of Ceremonies. At 7 P.M. the Twenty-sixth Degree was conferred in full form with complete ceremony under the direction of Theodore R. Lockwood, 32°, First Lieutenant Commander.

At 5 o'clock a buffet dinner was served, after which a concert was enjoyed for an hour.

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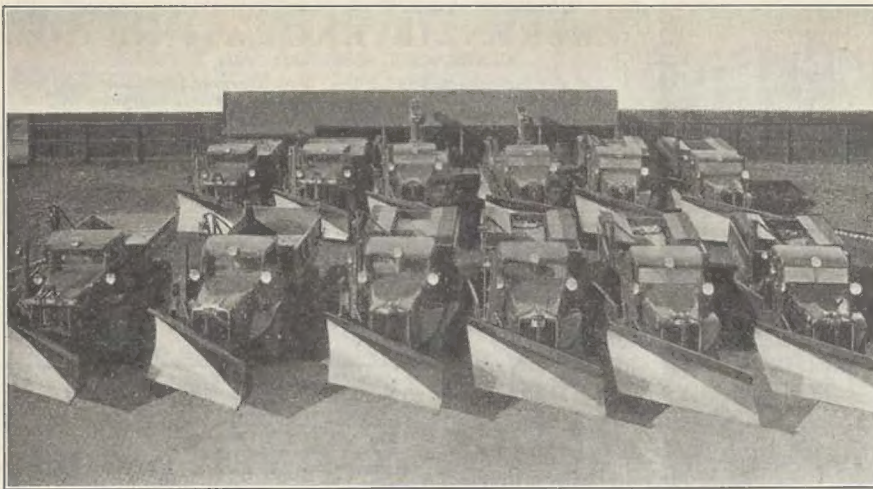
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When Winter Comes!

WHEN a thick comforter of snow covers Mother Earth, and everything on it, including the thin steel treads that man has laid to take him from place to place, Spring may not be "far behind" but it certainly seems a long way ahead.

Indeed, no thought of blessed Spring occurs to the men, hundreds and sometimes thousands of them, whose concern it is to keep clear the paths of transportation that you, the multitudinous residents of a metropolitan area, may be able to reach your work.

A severe snow storm may be described as a play in three acts with a prologue and an epilogue. The prologue is the period of watchful waiting: receipt of the advance warnings and the spreading of the alarm to the lieutenants to be ready for the approach of the enemy.

With the fall of the earliest flakes, the curtain rises on the first act, — the all important one. For the character of the show, its length, and its dramatic qualities all depend upon what takes place during this opener. Frequently the play is a "flop," only a slight fall of snow and no frost. If so, the curtain falls and the actors are relieved, without regrets.

When the opening act is a "natural" — a howling success — then all the actors and properties are brought into play. At first gradually, keeping pace with the storm. For if the storm occurs during the daytime, the activity of snow fighting equipment and men must interfere just as little as possible with another performance on the same stage, the movement of cars and buses to furnish transportation services.

Thereafter, during this first act, the drama unfolds, a conflict between the elements on one side and men and their accoutrements on the other. Sometimes the battle during this opening act appears close, with the victor in doubt. And when that storm dies, as it always does, and the first act ends, often the other contestant is near exhaustion.

The second act witnesses a period of feverish activity to consolidate the position won and to make further gains. That is, to keep clear and open the lanes through the enemy lines and to broaden them. This performance is less spectacular than the opener but fully as important, since upon its success depends a resumption of the orderly processes of transportation.

Unlike what would be called "good theatre," the closing act is an anticlimax. The pace has slowed up. The work is in the nature of "mopping up." Just pushing the enemy Barricades off the scene. Leaving

the victors in full possession. Tired but happy.

Strangely enough, the epilogue doesn't take place on the theatre but off stage. There the arms of war are inspected and repaired, made ready for the next call which may be within a few hours. In the interval between shows the technique of the last performance is reviewed in detail, the work that was found particularly effective and that wherein improvement is possible, so that with the next curtain call men and equipment may put on the play even more effectively for the benefit of a discerning audience, the riding public.

Simply to give an idea of the scope of the stage upon which this performance is displayed, of the number of actors involved and the amount and value of the equipment which may be called into play, I am forced to quote statistics, the escape of the mathematically minded.

As to the stage. It covers an area of more than 100 square miles. In this vast arena are 412 miles of track which must be kept uncovered and more than 200 miles of street which must be open and safe for bus operation. This is no pygmy theatre but one to suit Olympian hosts.

Myriad are the actors. All employees who work for the railway, some six thousand, play some part in this battle against the elements, either on or off stage. Those who man, repair or furnish motive power for transportation vehicles and snow fighting units. Those who keep safe the track. Those who shovel. Those who supervise all work. And those at desks and telephones who keep tabs on the work and who help guide it. Augmenting the "regulars" are the "extras," those especially engaged, sometimes as many as 800.

Depending upon the ferocity of the storm, many may stay on the job for almost interminable hours before the monster expires and the evil he leaves behind him is mastered. The combative spirit prevails. The price of success, fatigue, is not counted too high.

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- 16 one and one-half ton trucks
- 3 four ton platform trucks
- 5 seven ton trucks
- 8 tractors

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By Noble J. Arthur McCoy, Asso. Editor.

THE Arab Patrol has started off on its right foot for another season's activities by participating in the festivities of the Potentate's Ball, Feb. 16, with our wonderful Aleppo Band and the splendid new group of Aleppo Chanters.

Readers will discover that the Patrol is a democratic group composed of men from every walk of life, and the doctors, salesmen, lawyers, engineers, city and state officials, etc., all get the same pleasure out of the companionship afforded in drilling together.

Lieutenant Bill Sharpe, with his 4th platoon, visited Mt. Vernon Royal Arch Chapter in Roxbury, Thursday evening, February 21. Karl Reece, of the Mounted Patrol, was presiding High Priest, and incidentally, we could tell a nice little story about the hospitality of Karl and his companions of Mt. Vernon, if space allowed.

Our best wishes go to George Daland of the 1st platoon and Roy Perry of the 4th platoon, both of whom are ill at their homes.

Two of our members are sojourning in Florida. Russell Lynn, of the 2nd platoon and Stanley Ladd of the 5th platoon are the lucky men.

Harold Budreau of the 4th platoon, and Past Commander of William Parkman Commandery, has been reappointed Deputy Inspector Instructor in the Grand Commandery. Harold is a fine soldier.

We are glad to welcome back after prolonged illness, Morris Wolf of the 5th platoon, and Virgil Parker of the Quartermaster's staff.

Thatcher Taylor of the 1st platoon is High Priest of St. Matthew's Royal Arch Chapter and Monarch of Taleb Grotto.

Lieutenant Bill Earle of the 1st platoon tells us that Almas Temple of Washington, D. C., is raising a fund of \$150,000 for the celebrations in June, when the Imperial Council meets in their city. One hundred thousand visitors from all parts of North America are expected.

Bill MacNeill, of the 5th platoon, is at home threatened with pneumonia. We sincerely hope that he will win in this battle with the pesky bacilli.

Harold Burr says, "the 5th platoon is glad to welcome to its ranks four new members from the Degree Staff, Nobles Ferry, Freeman, Mathewson, and Markow."

So often do our virtues betray us. So strongly is punctuality inculcated in the minds of the members, that one of the boys in the 1st platoon reported to Worcester Commandery inspection, two weeks ahead of time. We won't tell his name, but it is doubtful whether a fellow of 6 foot 4 inches can hide such an error.

Walter Duncan, of the 2nd platoon, is serving his second year as High Priest of historic St. Andrew's Royal Arch Chapter (constituted 1769) and is being complimented throughout the first capitol district for his fine organizing and ritualistic ability.

Captain Keough, Past Commander of Winthrop Commandery has been appointed Assistant Inspector Instructor in the Grand Commandery.

More than one of the men on the Patrol is "hiding his light under a bushel." Alec Campbell of the 4th platoon has had an active Masonic career, having presided over three of the York Rite Bodies. While District Deputy Grand High Priest, he dispersed light and knowledge and displayed a great understanding of the lessons of Masonry. A little fellow, modest, and his only fault was an inclination to trace every Masonic act to Scotch origin. "And still the wonder grew, that one small head could carry all he knew."

George Weeks of the 1st platoon and Russell Lynn of the 2nd platoon, have both collected some fine colored slides of the Yellowstone trip and both men are in demand as speakers before the fraternal organizations.

The deepest sympathy of the members is extended to Dr. A. N. Drury of the Mounted Patrol in his recent bereavement.

Lieutenant Oscar Waterhouse, of the 5th platoon, has been ill for several weeks and his return to the ranks is anxiously awaited. Oscar is chief of the signal department, B. & M. R. R., located at Dover, N. H.

Charlie Hildred will receive a jolly reception on his return to the weekly drills. Charlie was married to Miss Alma Eichler, February 7. May their road be strewn with happiness — and we hope for a great impetus in the motor car business.

Another wedding of great interest to the members — Hazen Sturtevant, recently of the 1st platoon and now Inner Guard on the Divan, was married to Miss Loise Armstrong on February 15. The romance culminated at the recent Dartmouth Carnival. We send our best wishes for their happiness and success. Noble Sturtevant has opened a law office at Plymouth, N. H., and his popularity assures a brilliant career. He is the son of our genial Judge Malcolm E. Sturtevant of the Somerville Court.

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No Commander could inspire greater confidence and loyalty than that felt towards our Fred Bolton. The uniform units are happy that his term of Potentate did not put an end to his service to the Patrol. His good judgment and rare executive ability were shown in his handling the affairs of the Temple the past year. The annual report was a revelation in accomplishment, that could little be expected in these times.

Fred Bolton has served as National Commander of the Sons of Veterans and was Commander of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company in 1913. His activities in the Shrine started as Marshal in 1914. He became Major of the Patrol in 1923, and his devotion to Aleppo is indicated by his perfect attendance at every meeting during 21 years, including the weekly drills while serving as Major.

Fred Bolton and Clarence McKenzie, our last two Potentates, were both born in Andover, Mass.

Southeastern Massachusetts Has Active Shrine Club

By Noble Charles E. Davis, Jr.

FOR the past eight years Nobles of Southeastern Massachusetts have added bountifully to the joys and blessings which come out of Shrinedom through the activity of a Shrine Club. The period of existence of this group has been marked with pleasant social affairs and a splendid record of accomplishment in the field of crippled children.



Noble
Frederick C. Clarke
First President of the
Shrine Club of South-
eastern Massachusetts.

The Club was formed February 23, 1927, in New Bedford, the "Daddy" of the idea being Noble Frederick C. Clarke but the enthusiasm was first aroused through the visit of Aleppo Temple for its Annual Outing the previous summer. Nobles of the vicinity were invited to join in a welcome and the several hundred faithful who participated in the es-

cort party suggested very clearly that a more intimate contact was desirable.

Noble Clarke championed the cause and discussed the creation of a Shrine Club with a large number during the next few months, receiving cordial words of cooperation and resulting in a call for an open meeting of Shriners. Forty-three attended this assembly and immediately effected an organization with the first officers chosen as follows; Frederick C. Clarke, President; Charles E. Davis, Jr. Secretary and Joseph G. Dean, Treasurer.

The name chosen was "The Shrine Club of Southeastern Massachusetts" as it was fully recognized that in this geographical district there were a great many Nobles who would like to enjoy the advantages of closer association.

Looking back over the eventful years since 1927 the Club has shown a steady growth, the membership numbering more than 300 and there has been a true Shrine effort directed to aid crippled children in the district as well as find fun and frolic for themselves at intervals.

In 1927 a Christmas Tree Party was arranged for crippled kiddies and the success of the venture developed into an annual affair. These parties have provided 249 youngsters with an enjoyable program and with gifts not only of candy and toys but of more substantial nature such as clothing and shoes. Of greater importance has been the result to a large number of these children — examination, treatment and operation to aid in rehabilitating. Some thirty have been taken to Springfield for the service the Shrine offers at its Hospital. This work alone of the Shrine Club is a tribute to its membership and proves the worthiness of its existence.

On the social side there are two annual contributing features — Potentate's Night and the Annual Field Day. Aleppo's

Chief is each year recognized and toasted in royal fashion and each year the attendance increases to pay respect to the Potentate and enjoy the company 'round the festive board. The summer outing is always a big day for the Nobles down in that corner of Massachusetts — a real clambake, a band booming away and program of field sports which are not stereotyped and give entertainment to all.

Two major events conducted during the past few years proved extremely worth while from many angles and incidentally gave the Club an opportunity to build a little treasury which has been used for the benefit of crippled children. The first was a Band Concert at the State Armory in New Bedford with Aleppo's Band as the attraction — the house was completely sold and the affair met with the greatest approval. The other was a Carnival conducted through the summer and concluding with a Mardi Gras and Dance at a nearby summer resort with several thousand people in attendance.

While there are other gatherings throughout the year and are usually held in New Bedford as the center of the district, meetings have been held in Fall River and Taunton as well as in the towns of the district.

Noble Clarke served not only during the opening year but later was pressed into service as the President. During the other years "Daddy" Clarke officiated as Treasurer of the organization and always gave his best to the success of the Club. During his recent illness he has not been able to serve with his customary ability and has been sorely missed both for his willingness to serve and his geniality.

Among the Presidents who have officiated at the head of the Shrine Club are Nobles James G. Baker, (now deceased) John T. Kirk, William O. Buzzell and William Beserosky, the latter being the President at this time.

Noble Joseph G. Dean, the first Treasurer, was induced to accept that position once again when Noble Clarke found it necessary to retire from active work. Noble Davis has continued in office as Secretary since the birth of the Club.

Other Nobles who have served as Officers, include Hon. Robert M. Leach of Taunton, Judge Thomas Otis of Hyannis, William H. B. Kendall of Fall River, K. Herbert Wing of Dartmouth, A. Raymond Taylor of Taunton, James H. Wilson of Fall River, George F. Braley of Fairhaven, Stephen C. Luce, Jr. of Vineyard Haven.

The Vice Presidents now in office are Benjamin Cohen of Fall River, William Kenworthy and Elmer G. Whitmarsh of New Bedford and other active officers are Albert B. Cook, Dr. Frank Birtwistle, James Lees, Chas. R. Halliday, Julius Rusitsky, Walter C. Hutchings, Francis J. Denby, Elbert B. Davis, William C. Zylstra, Judge Samuel Barnet, Arthur L. Marcoux, Andrew P. Loneragan.

The Shrine Club will hold its Annual Potentate Night very soon at the New Bedford Hotel and an open invitation will be extended all Nobles who wish to enjoy this event. Membership can be gained by Shriners who wish to participate in the activities of this live association and one dollar is the amount of the dues. How do they do it — wouldn't it be worth your while to join that crowd of good fellows and find the same pleasures and associations out of the Shrine which they have had the advantage of in the past eight years? May the Shrine Club of Southeastern Massachusetts continue on and on in the same spirit and with even greater accomplishment.

Every member of Aleppo Temple residing in Southeastern Massachusetts should be a member of the New Bedford Shrine Club.

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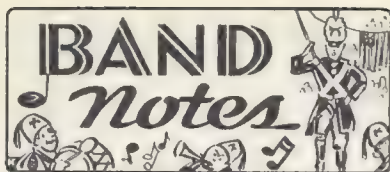
SEVERAL of the last issue of the magazine were returned on account of incorrect addresses.

If you hear of any Noble who does not receive his mail ask him to check up with the Recorder and see if it is not due to the Recorder not being advised of the correct address.

We want every Noble to receive the monthly magazine but we must have the correct address to insure delivery.

We might say what the little girl said to her friend, "If you don't get this letter let me know."

The same applies to the magazine.



"DOWN MELODY LANE."

By Noble Charles C. Fearing, Asso. Editor

AS the old fashioned clown in the old fashioned circus used to say on his first entrance, "Here we are again." So here we are again with a little sewing circle gossip about the band.

The Potentate's Ball has passed into history and left upon the page a bright spot that will linger in our memories for many a day.

One outstanding feature of this great event was the fact that we were not called upon to sell tickets to our friends. It was "without money, and without price." Not but what it would have been worth the price, any price, as it was **some party** — and anyone who failed to have a good time on that occasion must have been suffering from indigestion, either mental or physical.

Our recollection of Mechanics Hall goes back into the distant era of whiskers, congress gaiters and detachable cuffs, and in all that period we never saw the stage more tastefully decorated than on the night of the Potentate's Ball. Then when you add to this the presence of 150 members of the band, all togged out in their brilliant uniforms and shiny instruments, it made a perfect picture. Well, not perfect exactly, because there was something missing — a jarring note. — Sam Harris neglected to wear his special medal. We do not recall whether this medal was presented to Sam for exceptional bravery at the Battle of Bull Run or not. We think it must have been that battle as we have a faint recollection there was some "bull" when it was presented to him. However, let us hope he will not be so forgetful next time, as the artistic ensemble lacked just that finishing touch.

Promptly at 7.45 our Leader, Noble Walter Smith, raised his baton and the show opened with the stirring strains of "Captain McKenzie March" in honor of our Potentate, the genial Clarence. Then followed the "Light Cavalry Overture," etc.

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One selection which captured the fancy of the big audience was "The Hunting Scene." This gives the boys a chance to show their versatility, with bird whistles, cuckoo notes, (no criticism intended) cow bells, cow bellers, crowing roosters, barking dogs and cracking whips, to say nothing of the vocal efforts in the hunting song. But the most thrilling part of this piece is the work of our genial Quartermaster, Charlie Rycroft. This is one time where he shines, because he has a pistol solo, (or is it an obligato?). He puts plenty of "fire" into his performance, and we never knew him to play off key. His instrument is always in tune with the drums.

Then there was the "Pilgrim Chorus" from Tannhauser, rendered by the newly organized Chanters, under the direction of Noble Roy Harlow, accompanied by the full band. For an encore they sung "The Little German Band" and were assisted by a selected group of musicians, under the leadership of Bill Koenig, who gave an exhibition of an old time German band in action.

When the Patrol held dress parade and marched past the small band made a hit when they appeared on the floor, led by that veteran Drum Major, Frank Warren. They did a mighty fine job from start to finish, not only in the way of march music but in the precision of their floor movements.

Our smiling leader evidently thought he was going to get out of playing a solo owing to lack of time, but the crowd was so vociferous in its demands, and as Walter always aims to please and give the nobility what it wants in the way of music, he responded to the call by playing "The Volunteer." He had to decline an encore number as he did not want to trespass on the time of those who were anxious to trip the light fantastic.

After the entertainment a number of the band were drafted to furnish music for the dancing, which continued until midnight. That their efforts were appreciated is evidenced by the fact that the floor was crowded with dancers until the last number.

So taking all these various activities into consideration we can truthfully say to the band "Little Men You've had a busy day."

Noble Frank Warren of the Band brought his Boys Band of forty pieces from the Farm and Trade School, Thompsons Island in Boston Harbor to give an

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Our next part of call will be Springfield, Mass., on February 20. So here we go "Down Melody Lane" to play at the Benefit for the Hospital for Crippled Children, and we hope to have a good report of this affair in the next issue.

In closing may we "Say it with music."



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A LETTER FROM 'FRISCO

The previous issue of our new magazine has brought responses from many former members of Aleppo resulting in a grand get-together for us all. Just this week our Illustrious Potentate Clarence J. McKenzie received among many others, this letter from Noble W. C. Batchelder, now residing at 2136 Fell Street, San Francisco, who writes:

"I certainly received a very pleasant surprise a few days ago, when my copy of the Aleppo News arrived. After dinner, I spent a most pleasant evening reading it and I can assure you that I did not skip a word, including the ads. I think the publication of this little magazine is a wonderful idea, particularly because of the renewed interest that will be aroused in the members of Aleppo who are far from home.

"The receipt of this magazine was a real thrill, second only to the one I received during the summer of 1932 when the Imperial Council met in San Francisco. I recall very vividly how excited I was the evening the Aleppo delegation arrived. I was at the ferry and my wife tells me I was like a child on Christmas eve.

"It surely did my heart good to see Roy Faye, Walter Morrison, Walter Smith, Orville Estes and the rest of the bunch. For a week prior to the meeting of the Imperial Council, I did practically no work and during the week of the festivities I did absolutely nothing and then it took me another week to get over the excitement.

"Please congratulate the editor of the News for the splendid job he has done. Also please extend my cordial greetings to the Nobility and accept for yourself my very sincere wishes for a very happy and successful administration during the coming year, and, by the way, I was glad to see that George Hendee was honored at the last meeting.

"What a wonderful work these hospital units are doing. I only wish the Imperial Council could find ways and means for establishing more units throughout the country. Here in San Francisco the unit is prospering and it has been my privilege and pleasure to attend two of the East — West Football Games. An excellent football game is always provided and they put on a pageant worth going many miles to see. It is amazing what wonderful cooperation is given by the Civic and Fraternal organizations in the city. San Francisco surely is conscious of the work the Shriners are doing in the hospitals and is very proud of its unit.

"I was indeed sorry I was unable to see that good old Yankee Dana Williams, the Imperial Potentate, while he was here last New Year's Day.

"In conclusion, I can assure you I will be looking forward with much anticipation, for the March issue of the News."

"Your magazine is a fine idea," writes Noble William E. Ludden of Boston, "also the entertainment, luncheons, etc. Good work!"

"The News is a 'wow'," writes Noble E. L. Kimball, Lowell, Mass. "I have plenty of magazines, but this is more like a Bible to me. I have had lots of time to look it over, and I think it is very, very good and shall look forward to further issues with a lot of interest. I wish you continued success in the magazine and best of luck."

Aleppo Has 33 Members of Hospital Endowment Fund

ATTENTION was called in previous notices that upon payment of \$60.00 any Noble could be exempt from further payment of the annual Hospital assessment of \$2.00.

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MORE CONGRATULATIONS

Dr. and Noble Frank Birtwistle of New Bedford is another appreciative reader of our Magazine. He writes: "I want to congratulate you on the quality and substance of the first issue of the Aleppo Monthly. It is a magazine that will create new interest in the Shrine, and I wish you success."

And Noble Wm. Carroll Hill writes from Auburndale to tell us: "Welcome to Aleppo News and congratulations upon the fine appearance and interesting contents of the initial number. As an editor of similar publications for twenty years I know the difficulties and trials and worries of the first few numbers." Noble Hill continued his letter with a lot of mighty fine ideas, many of which we hope to include in future issues. So again we say: "Thanks!"

SEND US NEWS!

THE Potentate invites every member of Aleppo to become a reporter for THE ALEPPO MONTHLY NEWS. Just jot down the little happenings that occur from day to day, items you believe will be of interest to other Nobles and send them to the Editor, 97 Huntington Avenue, Boston. We will appreciate your cooperation.

DOWN GLOUCESTER WAY

By Noble Frank H. Davis

E. Sir John E. Rines, G. Sw. B., assisted by E. Sir Prescott W. Eaton, D.G.W., and A.I.I. Gordon H. Allen, and S.R. Raymond W. Cromby, made an Official Inspection of Bethlehem Commandery No. 43 K.T., Monday evening, Feb. 11, 1935. A very interesting talk was made by Sir Knight James S. Robinson of Boston Commandery and Past Master of the Fourth Estate Lodge of Boston. He presented a Masonic Story from the novels of Sir Walter Scott.

Noble Washington G. Tucker died Jan. 17, 1935. He was a Past Commander of Bethlehem Commandery No. 43 K.T.

Noble George Sinnicks died Feb. 8, 1935.

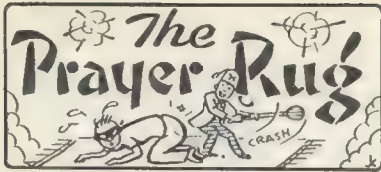
GREETINGS FROM FLORIDA

We have just received a most newsy letter from Noble George Gonja who is wintering at St. Petersburg, Florida. He enclosed with it a picture of his boat which he has in service down there, and it's some ship! After telling us what a fine time he is having, he goes on to say: "I have met several of our members here and often see Brothers Arthur Linnell of Quincy, and H. E. Beane of Waltham. I have called to see Sam Vannah, one of our Assistant Stewards, at Hotel Seneca.

"I had the pleasure," he writes, "of meeting several of our old-timers at Egypt Temple, Tampa, and among them was 'Big' Buzzell, former Drum Major of the Aleppo Band and he is as large as ever. This was at the visitation of the Imperial Potentate Dana S. Williams of Kora Temple, Lewiston, Me. The 23rd of this month we will attend Shrine Day at Sarasota. Best regards to the boys."

NEMCO GINGER ALE

LOUIS ALTER JOE JACOBS



By Noble Andrew O. B. Stenberg, Asso.
Editor

BUT ONCE

I shall pass this way just once.

Any good thing therefore that I can do, or any kindness that I can show to any human being, let me do it.

Let me not defer it nor neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again.

WHETHER or not it can be attributed to mere coincidence, or to one of those overworked cycles, cannot be determined; but the fact is that the appearance of our Aleppo Temple News has seemed to call for a distinct revival of fellowship and the urge to serve amongst the Nobles.

Those of us who are wont to sweat and shuffle on each Friday evening have direct evidence of this rebirth of true Shrine "esprit de corps" in the realization that we no longer regard our duties in the light of work, but rather as play. Attendance taking has become a mere formality as the weekly chorus of uninterrupted "heres" bears witness to the fact that Aleppo Temple is beginning to inspire a spirit of giving as well as receiving.

Perhaps this phenomenon is not so difficult to explain if we stop to consider the fact that the possibilities of "the Mystic Shrine" and of "Aleppo Temple" for these ideals have always been present. They are not aims that have only recently been discovered or adopted; they are, rather, ideals that we have always striven for and which we are always approaching, and it is the approach to an ideal that it is something that invites striving without promising complete achievement. The incentive, therefore, never dies, the ideal is never wholly achieved, and the evil of self-satisfaction is made impossible.

Let us, then, welcome this revival of fraternal enthusiasm while we remind ourselves that it is our gift from Aleppo Temple, a gift that is constantly renewed by our pledge of active membership.

The boys of the degree staff more than revealed their joy at being allowed to "dress up" at the Potentate's Ball on Saturday, February 16th, by the manner in which they functioned as ushers and collation servers. That fez and uniform sure do lend the boys an air of dignity as well as (ahem) self-importance. At any rate, we all appreciated the opportunity to disport in our official colors before the comparatively public gaze. We hope our conduct reflected the pride which we felt in representing Aleppo Temple and the Mystic Shrine. Our Potentate and Director really showed remarkable taste in choosing this way to afford our lady guests an ocular treat.

We are pleased to report that Noble Charles W. "Bill" Harris and Noble "Sid" Abbott, both of whom were seriously ill when the first issue of Aleppo Temple News went to press, are now both back on their feet, gaining nicely, and

will soon be back on the job, "Bill" doing his usual good job as Drill Lieutenant and "Sid" as Sergeant.

We have it on good authority, while it is not generally known, that the reason Noble Clyde E. Allen, paint slinger of the engineering department, has not appeared at any of the meetings since our reorganization, is because he has lasoed the time honored stork but as yet has not been able to take him in tow. As a matter of fact it is a question whether the stork is going to put him to bed or whether Mrs. Allen will be the victim.

During the absence of Noble Chas. W. "Bill" Harris, Drill Lieutenant, who was confined for a time in the Faulkner Hospital, Noble Stanley Steadfast, Captain, and Noble Lester Maintain, Lieutenant, acted as pinch-hitters for Bill, and did a mighty fine job. It has been a matter for general notice that the members of the staff are taking their marching more seriously these days; what's more, they appear to take and, at the same time, enjoy the drilling with "Stan" and "Les" calling the turns.

The members of the degree staff wish to acknowledge the receipt of a beautiful and well inscribed card of thanks from Mrs. and Noble Carl Priest, who celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary January 22nd. Many beautiful and appropriate gifts were presented to them including a "Capt. Kidd" Treasure Chest in which had been placed a shiny new silver dollar for each year of their married life and a few extras. It was a mighty fine party and everybody had a swell time. How about one every year, Carl? We go for it.

PRAYER-RUGS

The prayer-rug, which has been called a "creed in color", originated with the Mohammedans; and wherever the faithful followers of the Prophet may be, at the hour appointed he spreads his rug, with the "mihrab", or niche, toward Mecca, and prostrates himself for his devotions, with his head resting on the rug at the point and his hands outstretched. Prayer-rugs are made small for children as well as for grown people; and occasionally one is found with three or more niches, as if intended for a whole family.

The prayer-rug doubtless originated in Asia Minor, where we find it in perfection and with most elaborate patterns. Both floral and geometrical designs abound — the floral, less life like than in many Persian rugs. Perhaps the most characteristic feature of the floral patterns is the various flowers — pinks, tulips, hyacinths — in profile or silhouetted on the plain field, with the stems serving as connecting lines. The geometrical patterns are less pronounced than in other varieties, and the "latch hook" less frequently used.

The prayer-rug comes in various sizes and qualities. The approximate size being about three or four by six. Occasionally they may be found larger . . . these are called family prayer rugs. The most expensive ones are the silk which are used by governors or mayor of the provinces, people of wealth, houdja or moulas (meaning priests) and by teachers.

The Boukhara prayer-rug, in rich mahogany, of Rembrandt shades, has at one end the usual pointed device. The center field, covered with little tree-shaped patterns is divided into four sections by a large cross, with geometrical designs within. The widest border has larger tree-forms enclosed in a modification of the swastika. These rugs are nearly square, about four by five feet, and finished like the larger rugs.

When the prayer-point is omitted, these square rugs, with the "Kchatchli", or cross, are designed as saddlecovers.

A Turkish prayer-rug with its "mihrab" and hanging lamp looking almost like stained glass, is very rare and is to this art what the works of the old masters are to the art of painting.

Noble G. Harry Adalian, who was a member of the Degree Staff a few years back and who is now one of Noble Myricks lively Aleppo boosters, has in his possession a "Geordes" silk prayer-rug made in the seventeenth century. Its description is typical of the Turkish Prayer-rug . . . the "mihrab", hanging lamp, and pillars of the temple. It is an unusually fine rug with about six hundred knots to the square inch.

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By Bro. Lewis L. Martinson,
Secretary of Shawmut Lodge, A. F. & A. M.



Right Worshipful
Arthur A. Sondheim,
District Deputy
Grand Master.

First Masonic District.

Wor. Ira M. Daniels, Master of Shawmut Lodge, of which Right Worshipful Brother Sondheim is a charter and honorary member, as well as its senior Past Master, had designated the regular January communication as "Right Worshipful Arthur A. Sondheim Night." The gathering was graced by the presence of Most Worshipful Claude L. Allen, Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts, and dignitaries from many branches of the Masonic fraternity.

An elaborate dinner and entertainment preceded the formal reception of the guest of honor. When Right Worshipful Brother Sondheim, accompanied by a large and distinguished suite entered Corinthian Hall, he was accorded a greeting which left no doubt as to the esteem and affection in which he is held. Wor. Bro. Daniels, in his address of welcome, echoed the sentiments of every member of Shawmut Lodge, when he voiced his happiness and pride in the recognition of Right Worshipful Brother Sondheim's devoted services for the fraternity.

The entrance of Most Worshipful Claude L. Allen was the signal for another demonstration of warmth and cordiality which was renewed when the Grand Master graciously expressed his gratitude to Shawmut Lodge for furnishing him so able an aide.

A notable incident of the evening was the presence of Worshipful Arno Dienstag, Presiding Master of True Craftsman's Lodge, No. 651, A. F. & A. M., New York City, who braved the elements to testify to the love and esteem in which he and the officers and members of True Craftsman's Lodge entertain for Right Worshipful Brother Sondheim. A beautiful plaque, commemorating the occasion, the gift of the members of True Craftsman's Lodge, was then presented to the guest of honor.

Right Worshipful Brother Sondheim has been an ardent worker in the ranks of Masonry for more than twenty-five years. He received his degrees in Eliot Lodge, A. F. & A. M., in 1908, became a charter member of Shawmut Lodge in 1911 and in 1913-1915, served as its second Worshipful Master, becoming an honorary member at the expiration of his second year of office.

He is a charter member of Loyalty Lodge, A. F. & A. M.; a 32nd degree Mason and a member of the Scottish Rite

bodies meeting in Boston; St. Paul's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Boston Council, Royal and Select Masters and a member of Aleppo Temple for fourteen years.

In 1934 he was appointed Marshal of Aleppo Temple by Illustrious Potentate Fred E. Bolton and reappointed in 1935 by Illustrious Potentate Clarence J. McKenzie. In addition he has served as Junior Grand Steward of the Grand Lodge of Masons; Secretary and member of the Board of Commissioners of Trials of the Grand Lodge of Masons; Representative of the Grand Lodge of Porto Rico to the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts and is at present a trustee of the Permanent and Reserve Funds of Giles F. Yates Council, Princes of Jerusalem and a Trustee of the Permanent and Life Membership Funds of Eliot Lodge. On December 27, 1934, he was installed as District Deputy Grand Master for the (Boston) First Masonic District by appointment of Most Worshipful Claude L. Allen.

Those intimately acquainted with Right Worshipful Brother Sondheim will earnestly vouchsafe for him many years of service to the Craft. For of him it can be said that:

*From the springs of his heart there finds release,
Visions of beauty and temples of peace.*

SPARES, STRIKES, AND QUARTER HITS

Noble Kenneth Campbell, Asso. Editor

TOUCHING on and appertaining to bowling, our illustrious Potentate is a bowling fan, who for many years bowled in one of the leading leagues in Boston. Recalling the happy days of old and the enjoyable times spent on the alleys with the boys, he is anxious to start a Shrine league in Aleppo. Many of the Shrines have leagues and he feels sure that Aleppo can produce bowlers as good as any temple in Shrinedom.

The primary reason for forming this league is to give Shriners an opportunity to engage in this healthy invigorating recreation and sport with congenial companions in a spirit of friendly rivalry, thereby making stronger that friendly tie that binds us as a fraternity.

The idea is to have teams formed not only in Boston but in all the surrounding towns and cities, appointing captains wherever we can find five Shrine bowlers to make up a team that is willing to bowl regularly. This season is far advanced but we can make a good start and have the nucleus of an organization for the next season that will be a credit to Aleppo. This coming spring we can have a grand get-together and roll off here in Boston. This would be a yearly event. The details are not yet arranged. They would depend greatly on the number of teams participating in the roll off.

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ording to the rules of the game and are good losers as well as good winners.

Bowling though a scientific game of skill has considerable luck or chance that play an important part in every string. The best bowler does not always have the highest score and neither does the poorest bowler always have the lowest score. This makes the game more interesting. We have seen a strike from a one pin hit and we have also seen a practically perfect hit score only one pin.

In bowling as in many other games of life, control is really the most important, whether the ball is swift or slow it matters but little, a curved ball or a straight one seem to do equal damage when it hits in the proper place. So practice control, self control first and then control the ball. Nothing can then prevent you from becoming a GOOD BOWLER.

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By Noble Frank L. Rand, Asso. Editor

ALEPPO'S Chanters, resplendent in evening dress, scarlet ribbons across manly bosoms in the manner of the bar sinistre, but without the gaily decorated fezzes that will be seen at an early date, made their initial bow to the public at the Potentate's Ball in Aleppo Temple on Saturday, February 16. Judging by the enthusiastic applause of the Nobility and their ladies, The Chanters are a success, and hours of effort that have been expended by Noble L. R. ("Roy") Harlow, the Director, and the other Nobles who make up this group of enthusiastic singers may be considered an investment of time.

Noble Harlow appeared with the Chanters under a tremendous handicap, having spent the previous three days in bed with a severe attack of influenza. Is it any wonder that the Chanters have made such a splendid showing with such enthusiasm.

The Chanters, themselves, are the most enthusiastic gang of men imaginable. Dr. Ames has expressed himself in precisely those words — that he is "most enthusiastic over the work the Chanters have already done, and the progress they have made in the few short weeks since organization."

Another Doctor, Dr. Ott says, "I am prouder of this group than of any I ever worked with." And just to prove that the Chanters is a popular group with professional men, Dr. Kennington says, "This chorus is larger than another of which I was once a member. Now I am waiting for this one to become better than that other group — and I am certain that will happen."

Another public appearance of the Chanters is scheduled for March 17, and it is hoped that before that time the full complement of members will be registered in the Chanters roster. At present the following voices can be used. Five (5) first tenors; two (2) second tenors; and four (4) baritones. The S.R.O. sign is up in the bass section. (S.R.O., for the benefit of the uninitiated in show business means Standing Room Only). Makes a fellow wonder how come there are so many basses in Boston. Is it the alliteration? Or does the cold weather do it?

Anyway, if the tenors and baritones will show up at rehearsals they will be welcomed with open arms.

This is an invitation to all members of Aleppo — and prospective members of Aleppo, for that matter — to come up to the Temple any Tuesday evening and get acquainted. You'll find the Chanters a congenial gang of fellows, and they sing much better when there is an audience.

The Chanters have started something that may well be emulated by Aleppo's other uniformed units. On rehearsal nights, when it is quite impossible for

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many of the commuters to get to their respective homes for dinner, and back to the Temple in time for rehearsal, the unfortunates who must endure restaurant cooking for one night are gathering together and having dinner at the same restaurant. Two recent visits to The Copley Grill, across the street on Huntington Ave., have been met with such favor that the practice will continue. An excellent meal is served at a very reasonable price. And a double duty is done, for men become acquainted with each other much more quickly over a dinner table than in any other known way.

PAUL REVERE COFFEE POT

It is customary when the Imperial Potentate visits a Temple to make him a suitable present as a remembrance of the occasion. We expect our Imperial Potentate, Dana S. Williams, to visit Aleppo in the Spring. Our Potentate has been keeping his eyes open anticipating this visit and wishing to have something ready at that time.

Paul Revere was the founder and first President of the Massachusetts Charitable Mechanic Association, which Association owns Mechanics Building. Aleppo Temple uses the northerly end of Mechanics Building for its permanent headquarters and hires Mechanics Hall for its ceremonials and other functions. It occurred to your Potentate that if something could be procured in a piece of Paul Revere silver would be a complete tie-up between Aleppo Temple and the visit of the Imperial Potentate.

Recently there was advertised a sale of antiques, oriental rugs, Sheffield plated ware, and solid silver, from the collections of two society ladies. The outstanding

piece to be offered for sale at this auction was a silver coffee pot made by and bearing the mark of Paul Revere. The piece is thirteen and one-half inches high and weighs thirty-two and one-half ounces, including the wooden handle.

The Potentate investigated and was told that this would probably be sold very reasonably due to the hard times, so accordingly he, with Mrs. McKenzie and Past Potentate and Mrs. Faye attended the auction. The oriental rugs sold for a song. In fact, so cheap that dealers were buying them in. The same applied to the Sheffield plated ware and the solid silver. Dealers from New York were buying most of the articles.

Finally came the Paul Revere silver coffee pot. The auctioneer said that in ordinary times it was worth between Nine Thousand and Ten Thousand Dollars and asked for a bid. The first bid was One Thousand Dollars, and your Potentate's heart sank. The bidding rapidly ran up by Five Hundred Dollar jumps until it got to Four Thousand Dollars. It hung there for a while and then Four Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars was bid. It hung there for a while and Four Thousand Five Hundred Dollars was bid. The article being sold then to the bidder, who was a gentleman from San Diego, California.

By this time the Potentate had nearly fainted at the price it was bringing, but his knowledge of the values of Paul Revere silver has increased materially. He learns that there are probably not more than fifty pieces of Paul Revere silver in existence, and he has now ceased to hunt for any Paul Revere silver for a presentation piece to Imperial Potentate and Mrs. Williams.



By Noble Theodore O. Nicholson,
Asso. Editor

LAST month we were able to outline generally the work that the Stewards are called upon to perform, and also gave some facts and figures to let the members know what is necessary to be supplied for their enjoyment.

The duties of the Chief Steward are many.

Aleppo Temple has been fortunate in having capable men who have performed their task in an able manner.

Twenty-five years ago, when Charlie Estey was Potentate, he appointed Henry B. Perkins as his chief steward and Henry carried on up to and including Frank Appleton's term and then on account of ill health, resigned.

Henry had associated with him during his term of office, nineteen assistants whose pleasure it was to serve under him, without hope of favor or reward.

During all these years, close association developed, and a few years prior to Henry's death, the Stewards organized the Henry B. Perkins' Club, of which Billy Spottiswoode is President, and the writer, Secretary and Treasurer.

The Club meets once a year on March 3rd, that being Henry's birthday.

Since his death, the Club has continued to function, knowing that it was his wish that his departing to the great Beyond should not in any way effect the good fellowship that was created, and it is the intent of the Club to carry on to the last man.

The Club has suffered losses through the death of Nobles Carl A. Weitz, Harry L. Wardle and J. Louis Kammerer, and below is a list of the remaining members.

Fred E. Bickford
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Frank P. Cook
William L. Devitt
John C. Graham
Wilbert D. Jones
William O. Morin
Theodore O. Nicholson
Edward E. Reynolds
Charles H. Sargent
George H. Shackford
William Spottiswoode
Samuel A. Vanner
Henry E. Wetherbee
Charles W. Wood
George H. Wood

It seems a fitting tribute that the long service that has been given by various ones should be perpetuated, in a manner similar to the above, as it brings about closer relationship and better understanding, and, at the same time, helps to improve conditions beneficial to the Temple.

It might not be amiss at this point for the writer to relate an incident that occurred when we were about to have a May meeting, and, as you know, the month of May is when we indulge in strawberry shortcake.

The year in question was against a good crop of berries, and, when it came to the day of the meeting, Henry Perkins

corralled all the berries there were in Boston, some 2000 boxes, and you married men who have helped to hull berries know what a relief it is to have finished one box.

When it comes to hulling 2000 boxes, and then making up the necessary cake, and churning gallon, upon gallon of whipped cream to furnish 14,000 portions, as was done at that meeting, it proves the tremendous amount of preparation that is necessary for the enjoyment of those who pass the guards with the necessary credentials to enjoy a pleasant evening.

The aim of the Stewards is to please in every way possible and constructive suggestions are welcome.

See you next month!

OUR STEWARDS MIGHT SERVE THIS DISH!

One week last November, to help celebrate the Carrollton, Ky., first annual tobacco festival they served Burgoo, made in a 500 gallon kettle that was used in the Civil War to make gun powder. Their Burgoo master's recipe for 1000 gallons Burgoo: 800 lbs. lean meat; 200 lbs. fat hens; 900 lbs. canned tomatoes; 240 lbs. canned carrots; 180 lbs. canned corn; 200 lbs. cabbage; 60 lbs. salt; 4 lbs. pepper. WE ARE GOING TO SERVE BURGEO FREE Saturday, Next, December 22, 1934.

Our ingredients: beef, elk, venison, chicken, veal, pork, salt pork, potatoes, cabbage, turnips, rutabagas, onions, beans, (navy, string, wax, lima, chilie,) corn, tomatoes, peas, rice, celery, salt, pepper. Our own seasoning. Can anyone suggest anything else?—*Devils Lake (N. D.) Journal.*

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FIRST PRIZE WINNER

Miss Nan Gibby

SECOND PRIZE WINNER

Mrs. Walter H. Evers

THIRD PRIZE WINNER

IN last month's issue of this magazine we announced a prize contest for the best letters on the subject: "Why I'm glad my husband, brother or son is a Shriner." While we didn't receive as many responses as we had hoped for, those who did write, sent in some splendid letters, all of them so fine that it has been very difficult to decide which are the best. But after careful deliberation our committee has selected the following letters as the prize winners and awards have been sent to these women:

First Prize Letter

Aleppo Temple,
97 Huntington Ave.,
Boston, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I am glad that my husband is a Shriner because I think that the organization is made up of the finest men in the world.

Membership in this organization not only offers him the opportunity to make new acquaintances at every meeting, but it gives him the pleasure of meeting a lot of old friends with whom he would rarely come in contact if he did not attend the meetings — old friends who have moved away from our community but who make it a point to attend every ceremonial.

Wasn't it just like the Shriner to plan such a hospital as the one in Springfield?

My idea of a Shriner is the most generous, sympathetic and charitable of man, standing for everything that is symbolic of good.

Of course, we women have no idea "what it is all about", but we do know that if there is a lot of fun connected with it, there must be a lot of seriousness, too. The excellent hospital work, for instance, and probably hundreds of other good deeds about which we know nothing.

Sincerely yours,

Helene E. Aldrich
(Mrs. Lorin G. Aldrich)
189 Farrington Street,
Wollaston, Mass.

Second Prize Letter

Aleppo Monthly News,
97 Huntington Ave.,
Boston, Mass.

Gentlemen:

For a Mason to be a Shriner, means he is of the Nobility. I am deeply grateful and happy to have a brother of that Nobility.

There is a fineness of character, a loyalty to the best things and ideals, an honest acknowledgement of a Higher Power. A willingness to follow the Golden rule. To really put into practice each day, "That ye do unto others as ye would they should do unto you."

Those Shriners with whom it has been my privilege and happy fortune to become acquainted, have manifested all these qualities and I feel a just and honest pride in having a Shriner for a brother.

They are truly God's Noblemen.

Sincerely,

(Miss) Nan Gibby,
73 Morrison Avenue,
W. Somerville, Mass.

Third Prize Letter

Aleppo Temple,
97 Huntington Ave.,
Boston, Mass.

Gentlemen:

A few years ago like a great many people we had to cut corners. Nearly every social and fraternal tie was clipped. But should we drop the Shrine? We just couldn't make up our minds to do so. Some how I felt that if we did, something fine would have gone out of our lives and especially my husband's.

Dues came due — well maybe next year we could pay. And then we couldn't pay. We hoped the lodge would take matters into its own hands — the easiest way out would be — to be dropped. We dreaded the final word.

But lo — Aleppo made it possible to stay in! This fine spirit of manly co-operation inspired and rekindled faith and hope in our hearts.

Today I am happy to say my husband is back on his job. We are able to pay and hope to continue to do so.

As a Shriner's wife, the Shrine represents to me something fine and substantial and a good representation of our nation's best men.

Mrs. Walter H. Evers,
406 Moyes Avenue,
Sweetwater, Tenn.

A LADY COMES TO OUR RESCUE

Miss Nan Gibby of West Somerville, Mass., who contributed one of the prize-winning letters on this page, has generously come to the rescue of the poor males who were attempting to run this page, with a dandy recipe which she enclosed with these kind words: —

"Hats off to the Noble who sent in the cake recipe, printed in the February issue

of The Aleppo Monthly News. I made it and it is all that he claims and more.

I am enclosing a recipe for Sponge Cake and Chocolate Cake, I think some one might enjoy trying.

The Monthly Magazine is splendid and makes you feel mighty proud to have an Aleppo Magazine all our own.

Wishing you the best."

HERE'S THE CHOCOLATE CAKE

½ cup shortening, 1¼ cups sugar, 3 eggs, 2 cups cake flour, 1 teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon soda, 1 cup sweet milk, 2 squares melted chocolate, 1 teaspoon vanilla.

Cream shortening, add sugar gradually. Add well beaten eggs. Sift flour once before measuring and then sift with soda and salt three times.

Add to creamed mixture alternately with the milk. Add the melted chocolate. Add the vanilla. Mix well, pour into well greased oblong pan and bake 50 minutes at 350°.

Frost with chocolate butter icing.

P.S. Miss Gibby's recipe for her sponge cake is just as delicious and we'll try to find room for it here next month.

A PEACH OF A PUDDING

"Here are a few Specifications for good eats. What is life without a good cook? Shriners' wives should be good cooks and here is a delicious recipe." And with those words, Noble Frank H. Davis, of Gloucester, dons his white apron and dishes up this culinary masterpiece. Try it out on your table!

Carrot Pudding

1 cup sugar
½ " butter
1 " grated raw CARROT
1 " grated raw POTATO
½ " seeded raisins
½ " currants
1 " flour & 1 tsp. salt
1 tsp. soda
½ tsp. cloves
½ tsp. nutmeg
½ tsp. cinnamon
Cream Butter and Sugar.
Mix Soda in Potato.
Mix in order given.
Cover and steam three hours.
Serve with any desired sauce.

Frank send some other recipes, and, if you folks like this one, we'll give you another one of his favorites next month.

SHE LIKED THE CAKE

"Many thanks Shriners" writes Mrs. E. M. Wood, of Brighton, "for the excellent cake receipt. Was it good? I'll say so!"

FOR WOMEN ONLY!

THAT'S right, this message is a personal one to the women folk of our Shrine. It is written both as a confession and a plea by ye editors who are male, muddled and at their wits' ends to know whether or not you care to have us continue this page each month. It's your very own if you want it. And if you do, won't you help us to make it a real "bang-up" one? What would you like to see in it? What sort of contests should we run? And should we give prizes? And — well, anyway please write and do tell us — something!

When Winter Comes!

(Continued from Page 10)

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DO YOU KNOW?

A fellow who would like to be a Shriner?
A friend who ought to be in the Shrine?
A Shriner who has not his 1935 card?
A Shriner who has his card and does not attend?
A Shriner who should be re-instated?
A Shriner who is carrying his Demit?
A Shriner who should be affiliated?
A Shriner who thinks he can't get \$12.00 worth out of the Shrine?
A Shriner who got sore about something once-upon-a-time?
A Shriner who has had hard luck and needs friendly help?

Nearly everyone of you who reads these ten items, upon reflection for a few moments, will know of someone in each particular situation.

Is there any reason why you can't take sufficient interest in each fellow, in as many cases as you know of, and render your Temple a service by remedying the situation so that we might receive an active and interested Shriner, and he in turn get the benefit of participating in one of the world's greatest organizations?

DEATH OF NOBLE GEORGE BLEILER

The members of Aleppo, especially the stewards, will be sorry to hear of the death of Noble George Bleiler, one of our Asst. Stewards. He passed away at his home in Roslindale, Wednesday, February 13th. Noble Bleiler was appointed Director of Aleppo in 1907 by Potentate Charles A. Henry. He has been an Assistant Steward since 1910. He was a Life Member having joined in 1893.

AN "OLD-TIMER" WRITES

Noble James Bean of Los Angeles, Cal., a former well known member of Aleppo acknowledged his copy of our new magazine, by writing: "Received the Aleppo News and we enjoyed it very much. Read it from cover to cover not missing anything. And when I looked at the pictures of my old friends it just made me think that dear old Boston was the place for me, which was ably seconded by Mrs. Bean. The view of Mechanics Hall took me back to the good times that I had there."

"Mrs. Bean joins me in sending our best regards to all the Nobles and may good health and happiness continue with you. This is the wish of an old-timer of 1895."

"We will be waiting for the next issue of the News. Remember me to Walter Morrison and Joe Work."

We're Sorry!

DURING the past week, we have been the recipients of many splendid contributions and excellent suggestions for this magazine. If some of the contributors do not find their suggestions or material embodied in this issue, it is only because of the sheer impossibility of getting it all in at the last moment. Rest assured however, that it will be used in some form or another in future issues. And send us in any and every other bit of news you have of interest to our Nobles — Send it in early and often. Thank you!

DEATH OF NOBLE J. C. KERRISON

Noble J. C. Kerrison, automobile editor of the Post, died February 20th at his home at 13 Lakeview Road, Winchester. He had been ill for several weeks.

Noble Kerrison, a life member of Aleppo, and Associate Editor of the Aleppo Monthly News, was born in Ashton-under-Lyne, England, 67 years ago. He is survived by his wife and daughter, Mrs. Albion Keith of Portland, Me.

Dean of all automobile editors in the United States, Noble Kerrison has been the head of the automobile department of The Boston Post for the past 12 years.

During his lifetime Mr. Kerrison has played a leading part in the development of the automobile. He will be mourned not only by his many warm friends in our Shrine, but by men of world-wide fame in the automotive industry, with whom he had a long-standing intimate personal acquaintance, and who reposed the utmost trust in him.

DEATHS

Reported January 1 to January 31, 1935

WALTER M. N. ALLEN
RALPH LIVINGSTONE ALLISON
HORACE S. BEAN
CHARLES LOUIS BETTON
ELMER E. BRAY
JOHN DAVID BRUMMITT
JAMES S. CARTER
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A MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF RABBAN

By Noble Frank A. North

THE Illustrious Potentate has asked me to say a few words to the Nobility through the medium of our new Shrine magazine, so here goes; if you can stand it, I can.

Years ago I stood on the top of Mount Vesuvius looking down into the crater. It was a beautiful, quiet, clear day and difficult for anyone to realize the tremendous, latent force which lay beneath that bed of ashes.

Suddenly and without warning the old thing blew up and shot a column of steam and what looked like lava, high into the air.

My experience on that eventful day was repeated recently when our Illustrious Potentate, whom I had always regarded as a quiet, conservative, north of England Yankee, called together his Divan and addressed them as follows:

"I am going to change over the entire decorations and settings of Mechanics Hall for our Ceremonials.

"I am going to have the Obligation and the Inspired Charge with their beautiful scenic setting given in the big hall and the balance of the work exemplified to the candidates by a Degree Staff in one of the smaller halls.

"I am going to publish a monthly magazine so as to bring the various activities of the Temple more closely to the attention of the Nobility.

"I am going to inaugurate one year terms for Potentates.

"I am going to organize a group of Chanters.

"I am going to hold monthly events, at least one-half of which will include the ladies.

"I am going to give our Patrol and Band more opportunities to show their stuff. If we cannot afford to bring the Patrol and Band to the outside world, we will invite the outside world to visit Mechanics Hall and see the Patrol and Band in action.

"I am going to revive our monthly luncheons at the Copley Plaza Hotel.

"I am going to effect the organization of our Shrine activities on the 'best man for the job basis' and make our Temple an example of smooth-running, cooperative economic effort."

Nobles, it was an inspiring address and from a dynamic personality. The Divan paid the tribute of silence and then answered "Amen".

The line officers knew they had been consulted and that their dignity had been carefully preserved but they knew further that "Ipse" had "Dixit".

I have read and reread the initial copy of Aleppo News and I tell you that except for Charlie Cahill's right eye and Walter's serious expression, it is as nearly perfect in editorial set-up and in dignified advertising as any fraternal magazine that has come to my notice.

Nobles, we can show our appreciation:

1. By personal attendance at the various activities planned for our entertainment;

2. By personal work in getting candidates;

3. By taking our Committee assignments seriously;

4. By letting our Illustrious Potentate know that we are behind him to a man.

NEWS OF OUR SOJOURNING MEMBERS

AFTER shaking down the furnace, shoveling a few tons of snow off the walk, we made our shivery way to the office. There on the desk were more kindly greetings from our brother Nobles still soaking up the sunshine in the southland. Oh well, have a good time boys. And now that we've thawed out a bit, here goes:

"Greetings from Miami," postcards Noble Andrew Thompson of Park Square, Boston, who broke into this column last month too. This time Andy sends us a peach of a picture of his vacation land with a caption under it which goes like this: "Miami's average temperature: Winter 69 degrees, Summer 82 degrees." Don't rub it in Andy. And go easy on those hot dogs at that spring ceremonial you wrote about that Mahi Temple in Miami is having on Friday, March 22nd, with a big parade and eats afterwards!

Noble Winfred A. Bridges of Newburyport writes us that he is enjoying himself in St. Petersburg and will stay until May. With the weather what it is up here, it may not be safe to come back even in May!

From Orlando, Florida, Noble Frank N. Belcher writes: "I am having a good rest here with the best of weather and something doing every day." Many of our Nobles will remember Frank as the genial senior conductor on the Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn R. R. He served on that line for over 50 years and says he feels just as young as ever. Have a good time Frank, you surely deserve it.

It doesn't seem but a few days ago when Noble Jacob C. Morse of the Boston Traveler and Chairman of the Aleppo Publicity Committee was around the Temple telling us about a sea trip he was planning. And then came a post card all the distance up from Central America signed, "Jake", who says: "Sailed from New York with my family on Jan. 19th. Touched at Santiago, Kingston and Spanish Honduras, covering some 4000 nautical miles. Fine weather most of the way."

The many old friends of Noble William M. Howe formerly a most active member of our Shrine, will be glad to learn that we have just received word from him which was prompted by the receipt of our new magazine. He writes: "Just received the 'News'. It is the first news I've had of my old comrades in the Patrol since I left the east..."



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And here's another old member of the Mounted Patrol whom the Nobles will be glad to hear from, in the person of Noble and Captain John A. Russell Q. M. C., U. S. A. now stationed in Washington, and living in Clarendon, Virginia. He writes: "I hope to have the pleasure of seeing quite a few from Aleppo in Washington in June." Noble Russell asks to be remembered to all his old friends and sends his greetings to Nobles Charles C. Stanchfield, William J. L. Roop and Alonzo Yont.

Noble and Lieut. Charles F. Grisham formerly located at the Submarine Base, New London, Conn., is another member of our Shrine who has been transferred elsewhere. He writes that he is now on the U. S. S. Oklahoma at San Pedro, California.

Noble Robert C. Bird and Mrs. Bird of 15 Wildemere Ave., Arlington are wintering in Florida. Noble Bob shipped his Packard sedan by train to Jacksonville where he picked it up and will use it during their stay in Florida.

Noble and Mrs. Frank T. Evans, one of Massachusetts leading Realtors, located in Cambridge, have just returned from a most enjoyable trip in Florida.

The champion nomad of Aleppo, beyond the shadow of a doubt, is Dr. William E. Cheney — nothing at all for him to do 10,000 miles during the off season and last season he did Africa and visited the tomb of Napoleon. In all of his expeditions he has been accompanied by his good wife, who is some traveler in her own right.

Noble W. L. Terhune, well known for his splendid success as the head of the Boston Square and Compass Club for so many seasons, is now sojourning in the Altadena section of Pasadena where he has taken a house and with Mrs. Terhune is enjoying life.

Noble Frank Turnbull of Marblehead, is in Edgewater, Florida until April 1st.

Noble Fred Whaley of Boston is vacationing in Miami.



NOW that it's all over and the first issue of the Aleppo Monthly News has been written, printed, mailed and read (we hope) by the entire membership of our Shrine, ye editors are having a most enjoyable time reading the many congratulatory letters which have been received.

It's nice to know that so many of the Nobles appreciate our labors, and individually and collectively, we extend our thanks for their kind and encouraging words. In case you're interested, here's what some of our letter writers had to say:

Noble Fred White of Read and White, Boston, who incidentally are advertising regularly in our new magazine, wrote: "Congratulations on the first issue of the 'News', it is certainly a fine job."

Noble Frank L. Gibby of W. Somerville, Mass., took time off to write: "The Aleppo Monthly News is great and I shall look forward to receiving it each month."

Noble Carlton N. Baker of Boston likewise wrote us a much appreciated letter from which we quote: "May I extend my congratulations together with the many which no doubt you have already received on the new publication which the Temple is now putting out. There is no question in my mind that the ladies will appreciate it as well as the members. The magazine is certainly worthy of reading and we trust that it may have a long life."

From New Bedford, Mass., Noble James N. Greenwood has taken his trusty typewriter in hand to pound out these words: "The Aleppo Monthly News is a knockout. Every item was of interest and both my wife and I have read it from cover to cover. I really think that this magazine should promote interest in Shrinedom, especially to the Nobles who, like myself, live some distance from Boston and cannot take any part in Aleppo activities except to attend ceremonials."

Then from Rochester, New Hampshire, comes this letter from Noble Weston H. Palmer: "I am in receipt of your new edition of the Aleppo Monthly News for which I thank you. I certainly believe this is a move in the right direction as it gives every Shriner better insight into what is going on in the Shrine." Continuing his letter Mr. Palmer suggests that we run a series of articles giving the names of Shriners throughout the country who are in the public eye, such as baseball players, golf stars, actors, Senators, Representatives and so on. Mr. Palmer's idea is right along the line of what we are planning, the first group appearing in this issue. Thanks, Mr. Palmer, for your suggestion! Also we'll be glad to mail a copy of the magazine each month to that brother Noble of yours in the hospital and we hope as you say, that it will: "be of interest to him and help him pass the dreary hours."

Past Potentate George M. Hendee of Melha Temple who is Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Shrine Hospital at Springfield, Mass., sent us this communication, "I have now had ample time to read the Aleppo News and want to congratulate you upon the splendid first copy. I think you were more than generous to me in this first number and I can assure you that I feel deeply flattered."

Noble Fred E. Pearson, Hampton, New Hampshire, is another appreciative reader. He writes: "I think the Shrine is now doing something that will create more interest among the Nobles and their ladies, by publishing the magazine and furnishing the entertainments."

The same opinion is expressed by Noble L. E. Zurbach of Melrose Highlands, Mass., who says: "I think the Aleppo News is a fine idea and of course the free events also. The combination should stimulate increased interest in the Temple."

Noble Samuel R. Smith of Norwood, Mass., has already discovered a splendid use for our new publication, for he writes: "May I have another copy of the Aleppo Monthly News as I have a prospective candidate I wish to give it to." That's a great idea and one that we are sure many other Nobles will want to adopt.

Noble N. S. Kennard stopped off at the Eagle Hotel in Concord, New Hampshire, to pen us the following: "I enjoyed the magazine very much. I wish you every success."

Getting back around Boston, here's Noble Harry L. Jones of Roslindale who tells us: "The Aleppo Monthly News is one of the finest and most interesting activities devoted to Aleppo. No doubt every Shriner will enjoy and appreciate receiving it."

Noble C. A. Loring of Boston, who by the way is quite an expert himself in things typographical has written: "I wish to express my appreciation of your initial effort as represented by the copy at hand. I hear from brother Shriners the most complimentary expressions, likewise, and you are certainly to be congratulated upon your editorial work in this first issue."

From Springfield came another letter, this one from Noble Arlan M. Spencer, Past Potentate of Melha Temple. "Let me congratulate you," he writes, "on the fine issue of Aleppo Monthly News. It's a corker and some one deserves a lot of credit for such a good job. I have enjoyed reading the whole thing from top to bottom and think it ranks with the best in Shrine calendars. I can appreciate in a small way what it means to frame up a really readable magazine, for so many are just something to require postage."

Noble G. S. Williams of Dedham, Mass., has written in asking: "Please let me have two or three extra copies of the Aleppo Monthly News." He didn't say what he wanted them for, but we'll wager he has some good idea in mind.

And now to get a little bit further away we'll tune in on Harrisburg, Pa., and let you hear what Noble E. A. Miller, Recorder of Zembo Temple out there has to say: "I am in receipt of the February issue of the Aleppo Monthly News and it is a dandy publication." (And

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While we are still in Pennsylvania, let's read this letter from Illustrious Potentate T. Ralph Barr of Syria Temple, Pittsburgh. "We are in receipt", he writes, "of your Aleppo Monthly News, official publication of Aleppo Temple. We wish to offer you congratulations on the very splendid set-up you have prepared. The writer had the pleasure of being a guest of Aleppo Temple in 1932 when Past Potentate Karl Rex Hammers and members of the Divan visited Boston and attended a ceremonial at Mechanics Hall. Syria Temple has always held Aleppo in high regard and admires the splendid esprit de corps as exemplified by your units at the Imperial Council Session."

Traveling further west we come to Cincinnati, Ohio, and when any one Noble thinks of Cincinnati he always thinks of Syrian Temple. All of which brings us to the fine letter we've just received from Noble F. Wm. Harte, Recorder of that Shrine. Says he: "Aleppo Monthly News received. A rattling good paper. Note your rebus on page 11 about A. A. O. N. M. S. spelling 'A Mason.' One of our Past Potentates, Ralph A. Tingle some years ago in a poem he wrote, made mention of the following, in the word 'MASONRY' — MA (SON) RY. Note the first and last two letters form the word 'Mary' and the other three, 'Son.' In other words, 'Son of Mary' with of course its Biblical allusion."

Many of the newspapers greeted the event of our new publication with a generous recognition in their news columns. The Boston Transcript gave us a splendid write-up which we are sorry we haven't the space here to reprint. And so did the Winthrop Sun and many other out-of-the-city papers. All of which we acknowledge with grateful appreciation.

So that's that. Now we've got to get busy on the next issue, which we hope will merit as widespread approval.

THIS and THAT

MY SHRINE

Take away my rare possessions, strip me
bare of things I own;
Count for naught my few obsessions, feed
me just a crust or bone.
Tho you mock me with your jeering, tho
my wounds you rub with brine,
I'll keep smiling never fearing, for I'm a
member of the Shrine.
In its warmth I'll find my pleasure and
new strength to rout defeat,
It holds memories I treasure and my
friendships there are sweet.
These are things you cannot plunder,
they'll stand by me to the end,
For I love them and by thunder they are
things that I'll defend.
Life has handed me some sorrows that
I've had to take and bear,
And I've shuddered at tomorrows, look-
ing forward with despair;
But regardless of my feelings in Aleppo
I'm ever at peace;
When my smoke curls to its ceilings, then
my cares and worries cease.
There Nobles will gather 'round me in
companionship that's fine,
They will cheer me not confound me in
this Aleppo Temple of mine.
There's an atmosphere that's homey
from its basement to its roof,
Nobles there are glad to know me and
they never keep aloof.
There's a warm and sincere greeting and
a cheery "How d'ye do!"
From everyone you're meeting including
me and you.
It's a place where men are loyal, where
they cheer the kiddies' blues,
And my dividends are royal from the
cash I spend for dues.
So altho some try to break me, by the
Gods they never can,
For my Shrine will not forsake me, just
as long as I am a man.

—Selected.

SUCCESS

"What is the secret of success?" asked
the Sphinx.
"Push," said the Button.
"Never be led," said the Pencil.
"Take pains," said the Window.
"Always keep cool," said the Ice.
"Be up to date," said the Calendar.
"Never lose your head," said the Barrel.
"Make light of everything," said the
Fire.

POLITENESS

Most people will agree that it is better
to make a few mistakes in trying to cul-
tivate politeness than to make no efforts
whatever in that direction.
Little Mary had been taught politeness,
and was an apt pupil. One day the minister
called, and Mary, waiting carefully for a
pause in the conversation, remarked, "I
hear we are going to have the pleasure of
losing you."

OUR ALIBI

The editor can dig all day
Until his hands are sore;
But some bright youth is sure to say,
"I heard those jokes before."

SPEAKING PHARMACEUTICALLY

Two druggists were talking about one
of their confreres who had just died.
"He was a great druggist," said one.
"He was," admitted the other. "But
don't you think he made his chicken salad
a little too salty?"

BIRTHSTONES

For laundresses, the soapstone.
For architects, the cornerstone.
For taxi drivers, the milestone.
For soldiers, the bloodstone.
For Irishmen, the blarneystone.
For borrowers, the touchstone.
For stockholders, the curbstone.
For pedestrians, the pavingstone.
For burglars, the keystone.
For tourists, the Yellowstone.
For beauties, the peachstone.
For editors, the grindstone.
For realtors, the hearthstone.

NO QUESTION ABOUT IT!

Noble: — "So your grandfather is a
sure-enough old-timer?"
Young Noble: — "Yeah. He says he
can remember when baking powder out-
sold face powder!"

ALL GONE

Doctor: "This is a very sad case. I
am afraid your wife's mind is completely
gone."
Husband: "I am not a bit surprised.
She has been giving me a piece of it every
day for the last fifteen years."

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and mufflers and sometimes they refuse to
work. At such times they need to be
switched. They need guiding and re-
quire a man to feed them. They all smoke,
and are much steadier when they are
hooked up.

MEMORANDUM

"Some don't get nothin' from the Shrine,
But when their whines begin,
We often can remind them that they don't
put nothin' in.
"Taint what we have but what we give;
"Taint where we are but how we live;
"Taint what we do but how we do it
That makes this life worth going thru it."



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Noble: "Anyone can see a lot of grace
in that dance."
Partner: "You're wrong. Her name is
Helen."

First Noble: "Golfing is pie for me."
Second Noble: "I notice you get plenty
of slices."

HORSES

By Noble G. Richmond Selee, Asso. Editor

THE attendance of our troopers for mounted drills is of no mean average. An example of interest taken for mounted drills by the troopers listed below will give a good idea on their records. For the year from Jan. 1934 to Dec. 1934: — Past Capt. Adelbert N. Drury, 100% mounted, 100% present. Past Capt. Alonzo Yont, 98% mounted, absent 1. Capt. G. Richmond Selee, 95% mounted, 100% present. Lieut. George Dunnells, 95% mounted, 100% present. Trooper Nelson N. Powell, 90% mounted, absent 2. Trooper Girard N. Jones, 87% mounted, absent 3.

Trooper Aaron W. Hobart of Carryville has been voted into the patrol as a regular member, February 8, 1935.

Noble Walter Green of Winthrop has been riding with the troop lately. He will become a regular member sometime soon we anticipate.

Yes, of course, we are thrown from our horse, ask Gerry (Girard N. Jones). He can tell how it is at a gallop over frozen ground in the armory. He took a nice spill, got up, mounted like nobody's business.

Morris E. Swett, our supernumerary junior, can tell more about a spill, (now that he has been informed). His cinch (or saddle girth straps to you) worked loose unbeknown to Morris, and he found himself on his back looking up at his horse. Dr. William Basch, Major Fred Ryder, and Bill Simkins went to his assistance, and found he was really conscious.

"What the blankety-blank-happened," asked Morris.

"You fell off your horse," said Bill.

With some assistance Morris remounted to continue the drill.

Irving W. Ireland has been in the Baker Memorial Hospital for three weeks with a bad attack of appendicitis, and then pneumonia. Irving came home Friday, February 15th and is picking up very well. He will be unable to ride for some time. The boys are with him, his chin is up.

Our surgeon Dr. William E. R. Basch's assignment to the mounties two years ago has been a very important asset to the troop. His position is in the rear of the troop to better enable himself to be ready to attend a kick or fall. We were very thankful the first evening Dr. Basch was with us, as one of our troopers received a bad kick riding in too close a formation, and was laid up for eight weeks.

To the Editor:

Here's another "astute and ingenious mind" who has managed to invent another rebus out of the abbreviation of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. A.A.O.N.M.S. It is:—

SAMOAN

Webster is the authority for saying that this was a native of Samoa — one of the finest and purest in type — known for cleanliness, dignity and intelligence.

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